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1.THE EC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS APPROVED ON DECEMBER 23
EMERGENCY FOOD AID TO LEBANON AS FOLLOWS: 1)THROUGH THE WORLD
FOOD PROGRAM, 12,500 MT OF CEREALS, 470 MT OF SKIMMED POWDERED
MILK (SPM); AND 2)THROUGH THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, 7,550
MT OF CEREALS, 1,600 MT OF BUTTEROIL AND 800 MT OF SPM.

2. THE COUNCIL ALSO AGREED TO PROVIDE THE COMORO ISLANDS UNCLASSIFIED

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EMERGENCY AID AMOUNTING TO 8,000 MT OF CEREALS AND 40 MT OF BUTTEROIL.COMMISSION OFFICIALS TELL US THAT BECAUSE OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND CINANCIAL PROBLEMS ARISING OUT OF ITS RECENT INDEPENDENCE, THE COMORO'S FOOD STOCKS ARE VIRTUALLY DEPLETED.

3.THE COUNCIL DID NOT APPROVE THE COMMISSION'SOVERALL PROPOSED CEREAL FOOD AID PROGRAM FOR 1977.(SEE REF C.) COMMISSION OFFICIALS SAY, HOWEVER, THAT BECAUSE OF URGENT FOOD NEEDS IN SPECIFIC COUNTRIES, THE COUNCIL DID AGREE TO AUTHORIZE FOOD AID GRANT FROM THE EC 1977 CEREAL PROGRAM FOR THE FOLLOWING: ZAMBIA, 6,000 MT; CAPE VERDE IS., 8,500 MT; BOTSWANA, 500 MT LESOTHO, 130 MT AND THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE, 15,000 MT.

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